



Ryedale Woodturners

News Bulletin 5 – 1 February 2026

Hello all

Club night Thursday 5 February – Mini segmented form with Andy James

Schedule:

- 6:45 Doors open for setting up audio, video, chairs, tables, refreshments, etc.
- 7:00 Doors open for members to sign in, converse, look at what's on sale etc. Shop open.
- 7:25 Any announcements
- 7:30 Demonstration begins. Andy will be turning a miniature segmented hollow form with decorative feature ring and neck this should be turned and finished on the night with full explanation of how to work out segment sizes and how to cut and glue up the piece
- 8:30 Refreshment break.
- 8:40 Raffle drawn while refreshments continue. The usual exciting prizes!
- 8:45 Demonstration continues
- 9:30 Finish (approximately, by 9:45 at latest)
- 9:45 Clear up, everyone out by 10:00 pm.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81879594566?pwd=0wkjY4R1V6u9xseoVrDggEPoTiSvxd.1>

Meeting ID: 818 7959 4566

Passcode: 325972

You can find more about Andy on Instagram at

<https://www.instagram.com/andyjameswoodturning/>. This is his first visit to our club.

Club Shop

We hope to be using a new ePOS system (Electronic Point of Sale) in the shop from now on. This will allow me to keep a better track of what we sell and under which category (ie Wood, Chestnut Products, Abrasives, Second Hand Tools), without me having to spend a couple of hours after every meeting counting up what stock we have left (and therefore calculate what we have sold). In theory we will tap your items onto a tablet, or scan barcodes; it will add them up and produce a total, which can be paid either by cash or through the usual Sumup card reader. We can send you a receipt via email if you wish, though this will slow things down for us. It was Terry Smart of Chestnut Products who put me on to the system, he uses it when Chestnut are at Shows and sales events. The system is free, though I have bought a barcode reader and a cheap tablet to run it, again recommended by Terry. Please be patient with whoever is on shopkeeper duties, there may be a few teething problems!

AC400 filters – reduced price due to a 10% off offer at Turners Retreat and free postage when the purchase is over £100. Thanks to Peter Howells for suggesting this. If anyone has other ideas for items we might buy collectively to save a little money let me know.

Turners Retreat are prepared to give club members 5% discount. Remember they don't have a physical shop anymore, just telephone and online sales. The discount only operates through online sales at the moment, and doesn't apply to machinery. If you would like to

take advantage of this somewhat meagre offer, I need to send a list of names to them. Obviously, wary of GDPR, I will not send any names without individual's consent. I still have a few Greenville Crafts (Harrogate) cards available which offer 5% discount. Let me know if you could use one.

A new local woodturning shop – coming soon?

I met Simon Grimmer of Redmill Timber on Friday. His plans for opening a woodturning supplies shop at his timber yard are progressing well, and he is working with Sorby's with a view to being a Sorby/Turners Retreat outlet in our area. Current plans are to have an Open Day, with Sorby and other providers in attendance, and possibly one or two of us invited to do some demonstrating. No dates fixed as yet, but "springtime" is the target. Simon intends to sell turning blanks, woodturning tools and accessories, possibly lathes. I will be going down to visit the yard in the next week or so, and see how his plans are coming together. It will be good to have somewhere local we can visit for wood and other supplies once again. Watch this space!

Hands On Evening Thursday 26 February Snainton Village Hall

Geoff tells me we are now fully subscribed, but he is happy to [add people to a reserve list](#).

Gallery

Paul, a stickmaker from Pickering, spoke to me at Thornton le Dale show last year about two spalted birch burrs he had, offering to give me them in return for turning one into a bowl for him. This I did over Christmas, with the results below. Both had some hollows in them, and spalted birch can a little "punky", but they were an interesting project.



Also Dave in Sleights, who donated the yew and monkey puzzle that appeared in the shop last year, wanted some replacement mouldings for window pillars he has on his house. I did these for him out of some offcuts of pitch pine beams, by way of thanks for his donation.



Nick turned his first hollow form from a piece of larch, with guidance from Geoff. Topped with a pewter lid.

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